

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: There have been some sporadic applications but we have not considered them so far.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: വിദ്യാഭ്യാസത്തിലും, സാമൂഹികയിലും പബ്ലിക് സർവീസ് പ്രാതിനിധ്യത്തിലും മറ്റും ഏറ്റവും പിന്നോക്കം നിൽക്കുന്നത് ഏതെല്ലാം സമുദായങ്ങളാണെന്നു പറയുവാൻ ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: I submit, Sir, the question does not arise.

PRESIDENT: The question apparently relates to communal organisations other than the Kuravar or the Parayar.

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: Sir, the member wants to know the different communities which are classified as backward.

MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI: പുലയ മഹാസഭക്കാർ ഗ്രാൻറിനുവേണ്ടി ചിട്ടയുണ്ടോ എന്നു സദയം പറയുമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: If the Pulaya Mahasabha makes an application it will be given due consideration.

Location of toddy shop No. 13 in Thengamputhoor in Agastisvaram taluk.

184. * MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (Tovala cum Agastisvaram): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the inhabitants of Thengamputhoor, Agastisvaram taluk, submitted a memorial on 18-3-1940 or in 1940 to the Excise Commissioner praying for the location of toddy shop No. 13 in Thengamputhoor from its present site to some distant place; and

(b) the action taken thereon?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN (Excise Commissioner):

(a) Yes.

(b) The petition was enquired into.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: May I know the date of the enquiry?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: A petition was received and it was forwarded to the Assistant Commissioner, Nagercoil, and he personally inspected the place and has sent up a report about ten days back.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: May I know whether the visit was made with regard to the location of the toddy shop?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN: Yes, the toddy shop was there for the last nine years.

Uniforms to the employees in the Excise Department.

185. * MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN (Chirayinkil cum Neduman-gad): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the texture of the uniforms supplied to the employees of the Excise Department in 1115 has been of inferior quality to that supplied in previous years;

(b) the total cost of supplying such uniforms in 1114 and 1115 respectively?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN (*Excise Commissioner*) :

(a) No.

(b) Year.

1114

1115

Total cost.

Bh. Rs. 14,060-7-6.

Bh. Rs. 7,246-3-6.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : May I know why there is this difference in the cost of uniforms between the years 1114 and 1115?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : That is due to the number of uniforms issued in each year.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : എത്ര കൊല്ലത്തിലൊരിക്കലാണ് അവർക്ക് യൂണിഫോം സപ്ലൈ ചെയ്യുന്നത്?

MR. P. G. NARAYANAN UNNITHAN : ചില ഇനങ്ങൾ രണ്ടാമുതൽ കൊല്ലത്തിലൊരിക്കൽ മാത്രം.

Rice got down by Government.

186. *MR. P. S. MUHAMED (*Quilon cum Kottarakara*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the number of bags of rice got down by Government and the places where they were stocked and the quantity stored in each of the places ;

(b) the number of rice bags sold in each of the places ;

(c) the quantity of unsold bags left in each of these places ; and

(d) the average rate of price per bag of the rice mentioned above, at which the rice bags were sold in each of the places where they were stocked ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : (a) to (c) *A statement containing the information is laid on the table.

(d) The selling price fixed is as follows :

1st quality—Bh. Rs.	8-5-0.	} per bag of 156 lbs.
2nd quality—Bh. Rs.	8-4-0.	

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Quilon cum Kottarakara*) : May I know whether any market price is fixed?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : In the answer it is given Rs. 8-5-0 for the first quality and Rs. 8-4-0 for the second quality.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : That is the price at which Government sells them?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Yes.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : I wish to know whether there is any market price fixed.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : No, Sir.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I know whether Government have any information that rice is being sold at an enhanced rate at present?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Government have no information.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN : May I know whether any complaint with regard to this matter has been received by the Government?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : No, Sir.

* *Vide* Appendix IV page 620.